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FM AMEMBASSY CAIRO

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 1180

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AMCONSUL PORT SAID SENDS

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EWWT, EG

SUBJECT: SUEZ CANAL AUTHORITY (SCA) TUG ANTAR DAMAGED IN COLLISION
WITH BOUY

1. JANUARY 8TH EDITION OF CAIRO DAILY AL AHRAM REPORTS THAT SCA
SALVAGE TUG ANTAR WAS HOLED AFTER COLLIDING WITH PILOT BOUY SOUTH
OF PORT SAID. TUG BEGAN SHIPPING WATER AND REQUIRED TOW TO SCA
SHIPYARD AT PORT FOUAD.

2. TUG ANTAR VISIBLE AT SHIPYARD BERTH THOUGH AS YET THERE IS NO
SIGN OF ACTIVITY OTHER DECKS. EXPECT ANTAR WILL BE DRYDOCKED WHEN
YARD'S FLOATING DOCK IS NEXT AVAILABLE.

3. ACCIDENT UNDERLINES SEVERAL NAVAGATIONAL PROBLEMS THAT CHARAC-
TERIZE CANAL. BOUYS ARE OFTEN UNLIGHTED OR DISPLAY IMPROPER FLASH,
ACCORDING TO PERSONAL OBSERVATION AND REPORTS OF VARIOUS SHIP OFFI-
CERS. FURTHERMORE, BOUYS HAVE BEEN KNOWN TO DRIFT OUT OF POSITION
AND, ON OCCASION, SINK BELOW SURFACE. SEVERAL MONTHS AGO NORWEGIAN
GOVERNMENT WELFARE SERVICE LAUNCH STRUCK SUBMERGED BOUY AT NORTHERN
ENTRANCE TO CANAL AND SUSTAINED SEVERE DAMAGE TO HULL AT
SAME TIME SCA CHAIRMAN MASHHOUR'S LAUNCH ALMOST COLLIDED WITH
UNIDENTIFIED DEAD-HEAD FLOATING IN HARBOR. INTERESTINGLY, SCA
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PROVIDED NORWEGIAN LAUNCH WITH FREE DRYDOCKING AND LABOR,
ALTHOUGH IT DID NOT FORMALLY ACCEPT RESPONSIBILITY FOR
ACCIDENT.
SIGNED SURBER.
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